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Mr Z R Xalisa (EFF) to ask the Minister of Environmental Affairs:

What is the total number of illegal dumping sites in each province?

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1990. THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS REPLIES:

There is a difference between illegal dumping sites and illegal/unlicensed landfill sites. Illegal dumping sites refer to sites in different provinces where illegal dumping of waste is taking place whilst illegal dumps or landfill sites refer to sites that are used for waste disposal without a permit or license issued by the Competent Authority (which is DEA for Hazardous waste and Provinces for general waste). It is important to note that this Department has formalised a number of illegal dump sites into licensed landfill sites. Currently, the existing illegal dump sites which has to be formalised through the licensing process are as follows:

- KwaZulu-Natal 4 illegal dump sites
- Free State 4 dump sites
- Northern Cape 2 illegal dump sites
- Eastern Cape 2 illegal dump sites

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